

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name: I believe that I am the original first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention (Design, if applicable) entitled:

BALL JOINT WITH THERMAL PROTECTOR

the specification of which (check one):

- ☐ is attached hereto
☐ was filed on _____ as U.S. Patent Application No. _____
☒ was filed on 07 JULY 2003 as International Application (PCT) No. PCT/ES2003/00337, and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which the priority is claimed.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

NUMBER	COUNTRY	DAY/MONTH/YEAR FILED	PRIORITY CLAIMED
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT International application(s) designating The United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING DATE	STATUS (Patented, Pending or Abandoned)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I (We) hereby appoint as my (our) attorneys, with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:


All attorneys listed under PTO Customer Number 24,201. Direct all telephone calls to Craig B. Bailey, at telephone (310) 824-5555

Send correspondence to:

FULWIDER PATTON LLP
Howard Hughes Center, 6060 Center Drive, 10th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90045

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

☒ See following page(s) for additional joint inventors.

Full name of sole or first inventor: <u>IZQUIERDO NUÑEZ, JOSE RAMON</u>	
Inventor's signature: 	Date: <u>6-03-06</u>
Residence: <u>C/Fonton 2 1ºD 09007 BURGOS (SPAIN)</u>	
Citizenship: <u>SPANISH</u>	
Post Office Address: <u>THE SAME</u>	

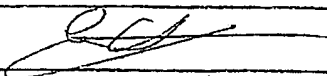
BEST AVAILABLE COPY

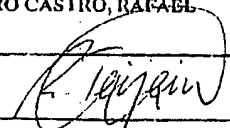
06/03 '06 14:51 FAX 947 482898

002

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Page 2

Full Name of Second Inventor: CAÑIBANO ALVAREZ, ESTEBAN	
Inventor's signature: 	Date: 06-Marzo-2006
Residence: C/García Duclta 29 24100 VILLABLINO (LEON) (SPAIN)	
Citizenship: SPANISH	
Post Office Address: THE SAME	

Full Name of Third Inventor: TEJEIRO CASTRO, RAFAEL	
Inventor's signature: 	Date: 06-Marzo-2006
Residence: C/ Gavilla, 9 1º B 47014 VALLADOLID (SPAIN)	
Citizenship: SPANISH	
Post Office Address: THE SAME	

Full Name of Fourth Inventor:	
Inventor's signature:	Date:
Residence:	
Citizenship:	
Post Office Address:	

Full Name of Fifth Inventor:	
Inventor's signature:	Date:
Residence:	
Citizenship:	
Post Office Address:	

Full Name of Sixth Inventor:	
Inventor's signature:	Date:
Residence:	
Citizenship:	
Post Office Address:	

BEST AVAILABLE COPY